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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Gyanesh P. Khare and Donald R. Engelbert

For: DESULFURIZATION AND NOVEL SORBENT FOR SAME

LETTERAssistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

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The following items are brought to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. 5,726,117 (Khare, et al., March 10, 1998).

U.S. 5,776,331 (Khare et al., July 7, 1988).

U.S. 6,184,176 (Khare, Feb. 6, 2001).

U.S. 6,254,766 (Sughrue et al., July 3, 2001).

The present invention is a patentable improvement over the above-cited items in the recitation of a sorbent composition comprising a reduced-valence promoter and steam-treated support that can be used to desulfurize hydrocarbon-containing fluids.

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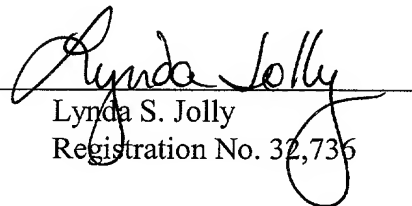
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